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SUBJECT: FMG DECISION TO TERMINATE OPIC AGREEMENT

REF: STATE 171370

1. EMBASSY WILL CONTINUE TRY AVERT FMG NEGATIVE DECISION TOWARD OPIC AGREEMENT, BUT ODDS NOT FAVORABLE. GIVEN SOME INTERNAL FMG DIFFERENCES OF OPINION ON OPIC AND DESIRE OF FMG NOT TO FRIGHTEN AWAY POTENTIAL U.S. INVESTMENT, POSSIBLE THAT PUTTING AGREEMENT IN MOTHBALLS WOULD SATISFY FMG DETERMINATION TO TERMINATE. ALSO POSSIBLE, GIVEN CONTINUING DRIFT AND INERTIA IN MOST ADMINISTRATIVE AFFAIRS, THAT FMG MAY NOT MAKE ANY DECISION RE OPIC FOR MANY MONTHS.

2. EMBASSY BELIEVES BEST APPROACH TO PRESERVE AGREEMENT IS FOR EMBASSY TO PRESENT OPIC DRAFTED BRIEF AS OUTLINED PARA 3 REFTEL. SENSING PRESENT MINFINB MOOD, VISIT OF OPIC OFFICER TO LAGOS MAY LEAD TO CONFRONTATION RESULTING IN FMG MAKING OFFICIAL TERMINATION OF OPIC AGREEMENT ON THE SPOT.
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